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**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
ART UNIT 1652**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Short and Keller Art Unit: 1652
Application No.: 08/876,276 Examiner: D. J. Steadman
Filed: June 16, 1997
Title: HIGH THROUGHPUT FLUORESCENCE-BASED SCREENING FOR
NOVEL ENZYMES (As Amended)

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith in response to the Final Office mailed December 27, 2002 and Advisory Action mailed April 28, 2003, for the above-identified application, please find:

1. Notice of Appeal (2 pages);
2. Petition for Three (3) Months Extension of Time (2 pages);
3. Check No. 539470 in the amount of \$420.00; and
4. Return Receipt Postcard.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8
I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on this date, June 25, 2003, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.
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Applicants claim **SMALL ENTITY** status in the above-identified application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.27, a verified statement claiming small entity status is not required.

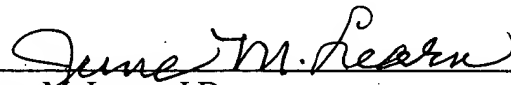
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Total Claims	27	27	0	x \$18	x \$09	\$.00
Independent Claims	1	3	0	x \$84	x \$42	\$.00
Multiple Claims				\$280	\$140	\$.00
Basic Filing Fee				\$750	\$375	\$.00
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Respectfully submitted,

Date: June 25, 2003


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